

The House of Representatives occasionally meets on Sundays though only when significant business demands it. For example, between 1933 and 1981, the House was only in session once on a Sunday during those 58 years. On March 20, 1934, the House met (in joint session) for one hour to commemorate the 100th year anniversary of the death of Marquis de Lafayette. President Roosevelt addressed Congress and presented a gift to a descendant of the Marquis. Since 1981, however, the House has met 18 times, a little more than once per year on average. Recent Sunday sessions were held to deal with issues of grave or controversial importance. For example, on Sunday, March 20, 2005 the House met to consider the legislation concerning the Terri Schiavo case. On Sunday, September 28, 2008, the House met to debate the proposed Temporary Tax Relief Act of 2008 (a bill extending certain tax credits, including the biodiesel credit). The dates of all the Sunday meetings of the House of Representatives since 1933 are:

- May 20, 1934
- November 22, 1981
- December 19, 1982
- December 20, 1987
- November 19, 1989
- September 30, 1990
- October 7, 1990
- October 21, 1990
- October 4, 1992
- November 21, 1993
- August 21, 1993
- November 21, 1993
- August 21, 1994
- November 9, 1997
- October 11, 1998
- October 29, 2000
- March 20, 2005
- December 18, 2005
- September 28, 2008